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EMBEDDING METHOD, AND  
INFORMATION EMBEDDING  
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) **Mail Stop AF**

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 30, 2005, the following remarks  
are submitted: